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**NEW MEXICO COTTON**

**Estimated Acreage, Yield, and Production**

**1928 -- 1937**

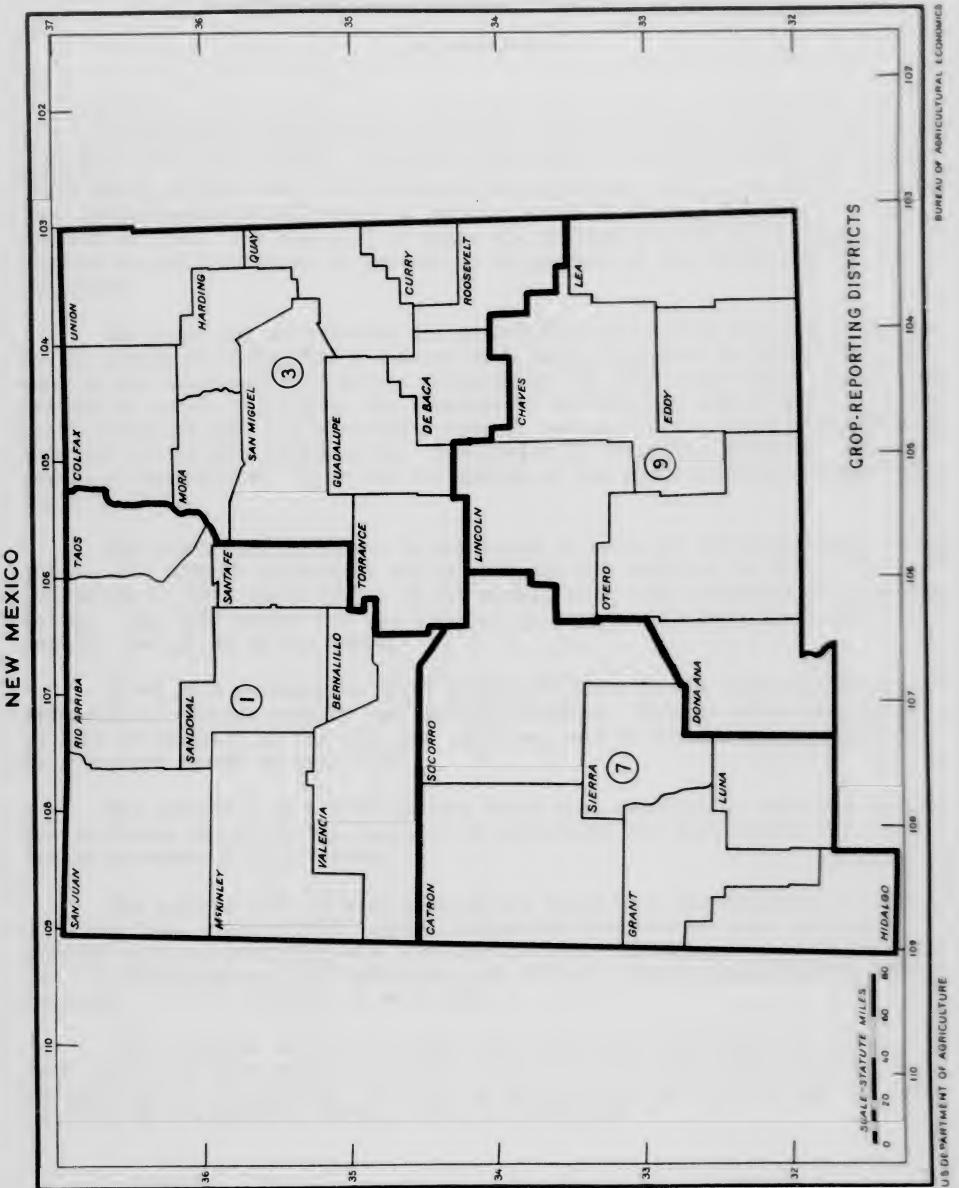
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COTTON PRODUCTION IN NEW MEXICO, 1928-1937

- By Counties -

The acreage of cotton planted in New Mexico during the 10 years 1928 to 1937 has varied from 94,000 acres in 1935 to 162,000 acres in 1937. The small acreages during the 3 years preceding 1937 were due largely to acreage reductions under contract with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. There were approximately 30,400 acres of cotton plowed up during the first cotton program in 1933. For the past 10 years the acreage planted on land not irrigated ranged from about 10 percent to 22 percent of the total planted for the state.

The yield per acre during the period has varied from 302 pounds in 1932 to 481 pounds in 1937. The yield per acre in any one year is affected somewhat by the abandonment of cotton grown under dry-land conditions. During the drought of recent years when the abandonment of dry-land cotton was heavy, the state yield per acre was materially reduced because of the small production in dry-land cotton growing counties. Low yields in irrigated areas are often the result of insufficient water for irrigation or too much rainfall after plants begin to bloom.

The production of cotton is expressed in units of 500-pound gross weight bales. The largest production was in 1937 and the smallest in 1932. The small production in 1932 was a result of low yields from both irrigated and dry-land cotton. The 1937 production was a result of high yields from the largest acreage ever grown in the state.

There is a tendency to plant cotton acreages in the different counties according to changes made by the state as a whole. This is often prevented by lack of rainfall in the dry-land counties, and in the irrigated counties by a limited amount of crop land.

The estimates of production are based upon ginnings as reported by the United States Bureau of the Census with adjustment for each county for cross-county movement of seed cotton.

The estimates of acreage planted are based upon the censuses of 1925, 1930 and 1935, reports from Federal Irrigation Projects on total acreage planted yearly, available data from the Agricultural Adjustment Administration for the years 1933 to 1937 inclusive, and current reports from crop reporters relating to cotton acreage in each year.

The estimates of the yield per acre are based upon yields computed from acres and bales reported to the Census in census years and upon current reports from crop reporters relating to yield in each year, and also on yields reported by producers on Federal Irrigation Projects.

Fred Daniels,  
Agricultural Statistician.

NEW MEXICO COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

District and county	1928			1929		
	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales
	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Bales
<b>DISTRICT III</b>						
Curry	1/	-	-	-	-	-
DeBaca	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Harding	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Quay	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Roosevelt	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT VII</b>						
Hidalgo	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Luna	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT IX</b>						
Chaves	24,200	281	14,200	25,400	335	17,800
Dona Ana	54,900	447	51,300	56,600	344	40,700
Eddy	34,200	251	18,000	35,800	352	26,300
Lea	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Otero	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	113,300	353	83,500	117,800	345	84,800
ALL OTHER	14,700	148	4,500	17,200	157	5,200
STATE TOTAL	128,000	329	88,000	135,000	321	90,000
	1930			1931		
<b>DISTRICT III</b>						
Curry	1/	-	-	-	-	-
DeBaca	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Harding	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Quay	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Roosevelt	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT VII</b>						
Hidalgo	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Luna	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT IX</b>						
Chaves	28,700	303	18,200	24,800	329	17,100
Dona Ana	50,300	456	48,000	43,700	515	47,000
Eddy	40,900	363	31,000	34,800	424	30,800
Lea	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Otero	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	119,900	388	97,200	103,300	440	94,900
ALL OTHER	13,100	119	2,800	15,700	183	6,100
STATE TOTAL	133,000	361	100,000	119,000	406	101,000

1/ Included in "All Other," but not in district totals. 2/ Included in "All Other."

NEW MEXICO COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

District and county	1932			1933		
	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre <sup>3/</sup>	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales
	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Bales
<b>DISTRICT III</b>						
Curry	1/	-	-	-	-	-
DeBaca	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Harding	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Quay	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Roosevelt	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT VII</b>						
Hidalgo	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Luna	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT IX</b>						
Chaves	23,300	274	13,300	25,300	539	20,100
Dona Ana	40,000	389	32,500	46,300	497	41,400
Eddy	32,600	309	21,000	35,500	495	27,000
Lea	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Otero	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	95,900	334	66,800	105,100	506	88,500
ALL OTHER	18,100	131	5,200	23,900	184	5,500
STATE TOTAL	114,000	302	72,000	129,000	459	94,000
	1934			1935		
<b>DISTRICT III</b>						
Curry	1/	-	-	-	-	-
DeBaca	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Harding	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Quay	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Roosevelt	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT VII</b>						
Hidalgo	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Luna	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<b>DISTRICT IX</b>						
Chaves	20,700	419	18,100	17,500	424	15,500
Dona Ana	33,600	714	50,100	32,700	534	36,500
Eddy	26,800	522	18,000	23,000	369	17,700
Lea	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Otero	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61,100	509	86,200	75,200	456	69,700
ALL OTHER	18,900	98	3,800	20,800	118	5,300
STATE TOTAL	100,000	431	90,000	94,000	381	75,000

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3/ Based on planted acres less acres removed in 1933 reduction program.

NEW MEXICO COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

District and county	1936			1937 (preliminary)		
	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales
Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Bales	
<u>DISTRICT III</u>						
Curry	1/	-	-	-	-	-
DeBaca	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Harding	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Quay	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Roosevelt	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<u>DISTRICT VII</u>						
Grant	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Hidalgo	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Luna	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Socorro	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<u>DISTRICT IX</u>						
Chaves	23,600	475	23,400	38,000	451	35,800
Dona Ana	44,000	576	53,000	55,900	643	75,100
Eddy	28,100	465	27,300	33,400	534	37,300
Lea	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Otero	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	95,700	519	103,700	127,300	557	148,200
ALL OTHER	22,300	156	7,300	34,700	201	14,800
STATE TOTAL	118,000	450	111,000	162,000	481	163,000

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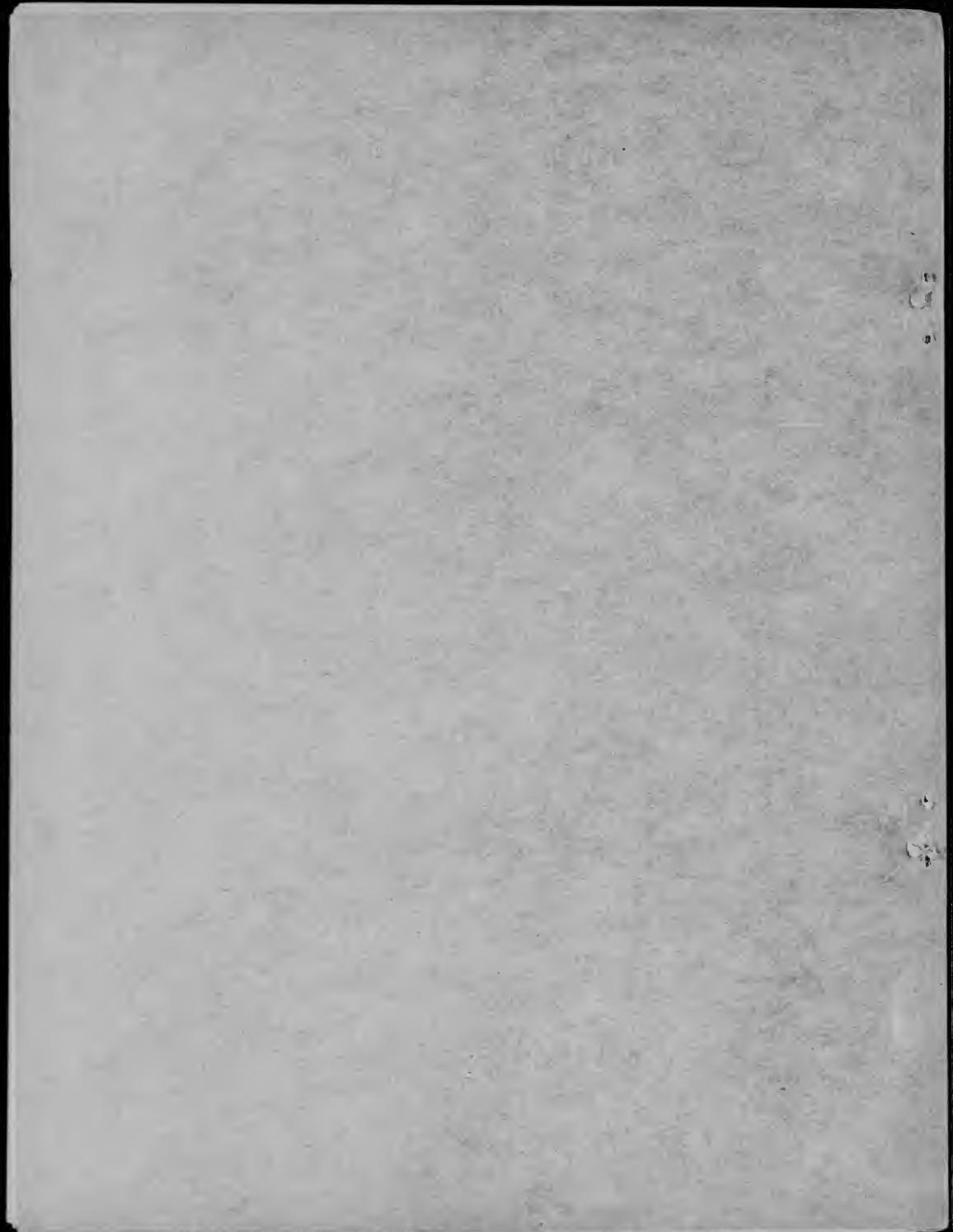
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Harding	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Quay	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Roosevelt	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2/	-	-	-	-	-
<u>DISTRICT VII</u>						
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Hidalgo	1/	-	-	-	-	-
Luna	1/	-	-	-	-	-
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